Integrated Measurement and Analysis Framework (IMAF)

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Agenda

- 1. Framing the Problem Space
- 2. Integrated Measurement and Analysis Framework (IMAF)
- 3. Applying the Framework
- 4. Future Directions

Topic 1: Framing the Problem Space

- Framing the Problem Space
 - Measurement Research Questions
 - Focus of Effective Decision Making
- Integrated Measurement and Analysis Framework (IMAF)
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Measurement Research Questions

Q1: How do we establish, specify, and measure justified confidence that a software-reliant product is sufficiently secure to meet operational needs?

Q2: How do we measure at each phase of the development or acquisition life cycle that the required/desired level of security has been achieved?

Q3: How do we scale measurement and analysis approaches to complex environments, such as large, distributed systems of systems?

SEI Software Security Measurement Project

The focus of the project is developing an approach for providing justified confidence that a software-reliant product is sufficiently secure to meet operational needs.

- Framework
- Methods, tools, and techniques

Measurement is an essential aspect of establishing and sustaining justified confidence.

This project will develop an approach that enables decision makers to get the information they need

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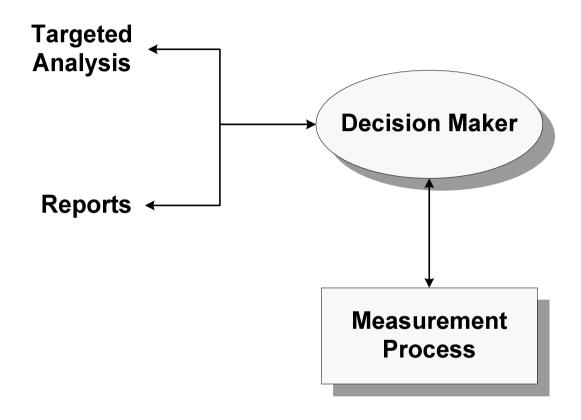
- When they need it
- In the format they need it

What Is Measurement?

A measurement is an observation that results in information (reduction of uncertainty) about a quantity.¹

1. Hubbard, Douglas. *Applied Information Economics Seminar: Executive Overview*. Hubbard Decision Research, 2010. http://www.hubbardresearch.com/

Measurement: Focus on Effective Decision Making



Decision makers obtain information from multiple sources, including targeted analysis (e.g., assessments), reports (verbal and written), and measurement data.

Scaling Measurement and Analysis to Complex **Environments**

Measurement is a well-defined discipline and has been applied successfully to software development.

However, the focus of measurement has traditionally been in the context of a single organizational entity, such as a project.

We need to find ways to scale measurement and analysis to complex environments, such as

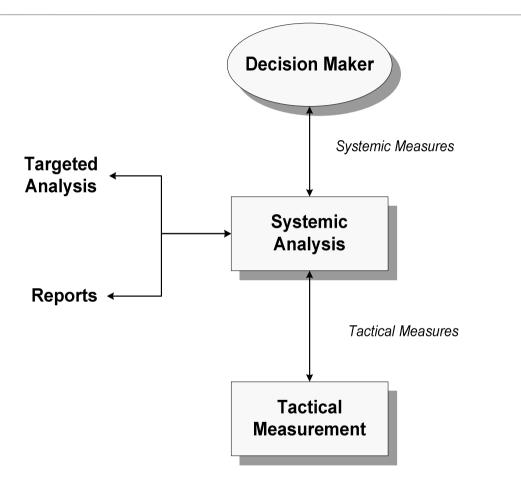
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- Acquisition programs
- Software supply chains
- Systems of systems

Topic 2: Integrated Measurement and Analysis Framework (IMAF)

- Framing the Problem Space
- 2. Integrated Measurement and Analysis Framework (IMAF)
 - A. Measurement from the Systemic Perspective
 - B. Mission-Objective-Driver (MOD) Analysis
 - C. Overview of IMAF
- 3. Applying the Framework
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Measurement from the Systemic Perspective



SEI is developing a two-tiered measurement and analysis approach for distributed management environments.

Mission-Objective-Driver (MOD) Analysis: Implementing Systemic Analysis

What

Mission-Objective-Driver (MOD) is a systemic approach for analyzing assurance in distributed management environments









Why

To provide an analysis approach that meets the needs of today's complex programs

Core Technologies

MOD Analysis Method
Driver Frameworks



MOD Analysis: Key Activities

Document mission. Mission **Objectives** Identify objectives. Identify drivers (i.e., factors that have a strong influence **Probability** Driver 2 Driver 1 Driver 3 Driver M on outcome or result). Uncertainty Evaluate drivers. Strengths **Tactical Unknowns** Weaknesses **Opportunities Assumptions** Document rationale Taatiaal Diaka and supporting data. Establish driver profile.

Standard Driver Framework for Software Security (Draft)

Objectives

1. Program Security Objectives

Preparation

- 2. Security Plan
- 3. Contracts
- 4. Security Process

Execution

- 5. Security Task Execution
- 6. Security Coordination
- External Interfaces

Environment

8. Organizational and External Conditions

Resilience

9. Event Management

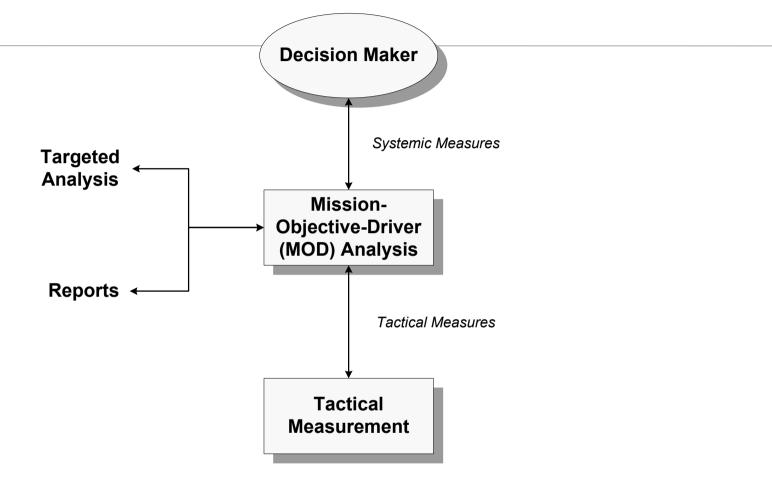
Result

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- 10. Security Requirements
- 11. Security Architecture and Design
- 12. Code Security
- 13. Operational System Security
- 14. Adoption Barriers
- 15. Operational Security Compliance
- 16. Operational Security Preparedness
- 17. Security Risk Tolerance

Integrated Measurement and Analysis Framework

(IMAF)



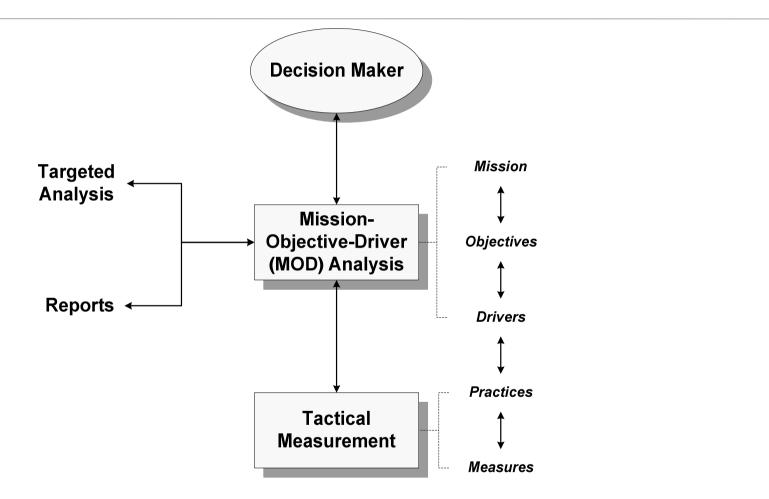
Mission-Objective-Driver (MOD) Analysis links measures to the mission.

IMAF provides decision makers with insight into the mission.

Topic 3: Applying the Framework

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 - A. Aligning Drivers with Software Security Codes of Practice
- 4. Future Directions

Aligning Drivers with Software Security Codes of Practice -1



IMAF provides a structure for aligning measures with the mission.

Aligning Drivers with Software Security Codes of Practice -2

For each program security driver:

- 1. Identify information items that are needed to address each driver
- 2. Determine if information items are included in one or more codes of practice
- 3. Build a traceability matrix of driver/practice relationships

For each selected code of practice:

- 1. Select a practice category or area
- 2. Identify information needs that practices inform
- 3. Determine if information needs align with one or more drivers
- 4. Use this analysis to suggest new drivers or lower priority practices

Example Software Security Codes of Practice

Building Security In Maturity Model (BSI-MM): http://www.bsi-mm.com/

Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP) Software Assurance Maturity Model:

http://www.owasp.org/index.php/Category:Software_Assurance_Matur ity Model

Microsoft Secure Development Lifecycle:

http://www.microsoft.com/security/sdl/

Department of Homeland Security Measurement work and Assurance for CMMI Process Reference Model: https://buildsecurityin.us- cert.gov/swa/

CERT Resilience Management Model, Resilient Technical Solution Engineering Process Area: http://www.cert.org/resiliency/rmm.html

Topic 5: Future Directions

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 - A. Potential Applications of IMAF
 - B. Discussion

Potential Applications of IMAF

The feasibility of applying IMAF to other areas will be explored. Candidate areas include

- Insider threat MERIT
- Operational resilience CERT RMM
- Others

Discussion

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